



GROVES-LINCOLN PARK NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION INC. BULLETIN

Groves-Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association, Inc.
P.O. Box 17102 Tucson, AZ, 85731-7102 Phone 748-2725
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A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

MEETING NOTICE

April 12th, 2005 - TUESDAY

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

William Clements Recreation
Center (8155 E. Poinciana Dr)

**** MEETING ****

Special Guests

**-Dr. Raul Ramirez-
President PCC East**

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**Representative
Tucson Parks &
Recreation Department**

**Also and Again, A very
special THANK YOU** to
all the neighbors and friends who
KEEP GIVING us extra
donations either at renewal time or
through United Way employee
deduction. We appreciate your
willingness to support your
Neighborhood Association through
monies, volunteer efforts, or both.
We couldn't do what we do without
you.

We, as always, appreciated your
support and generosity. **If it
wasn't for your generosity, we
would not be able to stay
afloat!** Thank you for helping to
make our neighborhood the
community spirited area that it is.
We wish members who have had
surgery and/ or illness a speedy
recovery.

We also offer our condolences to
members who have suffered the loss
of family or friends throughout this
year.

We, your appointed officers, are
grateful for your vote of confidence
and support. We honestly do our best
to serve for your best wishes and
represent you. However,
REMEMBER:

☺ ☺ We are all only volunteers
working together to keep our
neighborhood together. **BUT,** We
need **YOU** to help us to help you. Join
us. There are many different projects,
activities, happenings going on and
that need to be going on. We can only
be as strong as you are willing to help
us to be. We can represent you; we

can assist you; but we can't do it all
for you. **BE a PART of it NOW!**
The Groves-Lincoln Park
Neighborhood Association, Inc. has
been recognized formally several
times this year as a strong leader and
role model for other neighborhoods.
Work with us, help us continue to
make this the best neighborhood for
you, your family, your friends.
**I know, we keep printing this
message but we truly do mean it.**
And....we always will.



Median Improvement Committee

Members of the Median Committee
met with Mr. Glock, Department of
Transportation several times this
winter. As you may have noticed, he
has had more decomposed granite
added to the more bare spots on the
project. The ballards have been
straightened and reset. However, the
water collection sites still pose a
problem on Poinciana, but Mr. Glock
has promised to have that cared for as
well.

The project actually received a
compliment this past month as being
one of the most nicely "cared for"
projects in the city. In order for us to
maintain it as such, it is **everyone's
responsibility** to pick up trash,
prevent vandalism, report littering
and damage as you see it occur. If this
happens, get the license # and get a
description and **Call 911 for ANY
SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY.**

ASSOCIATION

NEWS & BRIEFS

Your Current Officers are:

President – Michael Lyman
Vice-President – Ed Stierman
Secretary – Murph Lyman
Treasurer – Open
V.I.P. Coordinator - Open

**** A Special Welcome to all
newcomers to the neighborhood -
welcome to the neighborhood
association. Dues are \$12.00/ year
(\$1/month). They are voluntary but
DO help to support the activities,
office supplies, projects, graffiti
abatement, in the neighborhood
area. Please fill out application in
this newsletter and support your
neighborhood.**



**ATTURBURY BIRD &
ANIMAL SANCTUARY AT
LINCOLN PARK**

**located @ 8280 E. Escalante
Rd (east of Santa Rita HS)**

Spring is quickly approaching us and with the winter rains, many things are coming into bloom in the Sanctuary. The Hummingbird & Butterfly Garden has been reseeded in places and hopefully many of our plants and flowers from last year will reappear. Please remind visitors to stay on the path as many other places have also been seeded in hopes of adding blooms. Random trampling will only destroy these plants.

We are aware of the areas of the trail that still accumulate muddy patches and hopefully we will be coming into more decomposed granite to fill these. We have had special visitors on tour through the Sanctuary. They include: Dr Ramirez, President of Pima Community College, East Campus.

If you or you know of a special group that would like a tour, please call us at 748-2725 to make arrangements. Our Youth Employment and Enrichment Program workers on week-ends also can provide docent tours.

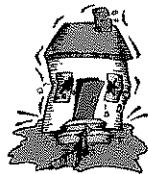
***BEWARE of the season: rattlesnakes are venturing out of their hiding places and are hungry. Be alert and watchful. Do not provoke them (or any wildlife) by poking them with sticks or trying to antagonize them. This is their home. If left alone, they will just move along.

PLEASE...DO NOT FEED THE WILDLIFE or leave food out for them. This can spread disease, make them very ill or dead, and desensitizes them to people. There is a serious illness among the Javelina in the city area and we wish to keep our herds healthy.

When we are in a drying period, be watchful for fires. Do not smoke, or allow anyone in your group to either smoke or start a fire in the Sanctuary area. As it is green and full this year, it is also a fire hazard.

**Lincoln Regional Park Bike
Jump in Phase II**

Because of the SAFETY concerns regarding the proposed bike jump are and the huge insurance cost of maintaining this feature, the City of Tucson has decided to forgo this project. This comes as a cost to the time and energies spent on the design phase by youth and adults; the cost over-rides already added and covered by our Shirley C. Scott, Ward IV Council Member; as a huge disappointment to everyone looking forward to this feature in our park. But, we the Neighborhood, have a chance to voice our opinion or offer alternate suggestions. Please complete the Survey that will be mailed to you by the Tucson Parks & Recreation Department and add your in-put. Working with the Tucson Parks & Recreation Department and Ward IV, we would like to have a consensus so that we may move forward on this project. You may call us at 748-2725 or e-mail your thoughts, suggestions to us : mickmrf1@msn.com.



**Neighborhood
Preservation
Ordinance**

The City of Tucson has gathered together the many ordinances and regulations concerning housing, the upkeep, the maintenance of properties, etc. under one ordinance now. The entire 60 page document may be found on **the City of Tucson's web site under the Department of Neighborhood Resources page**. SABER (Slum Abatement Blight Enforcement and Response) is the city's multi-ager that lends assistance to individuals and neighborhoods to resolve many issues. There are now several avenues open to you as a citizen: you may call 791-5843 for housing complaints or suspected violation of city codes. You may also complete any easy form on their web page (Department of Neighborhood Resources) to start the process. DNR will investigate your complaint based on the priority ranking of:

Dangerous conditions -- within 24 hours.

Less serious complaints within 3-10 days.

In order to help you select the correct avenue for your complaint, we have posted their recommendations.

1) involve a landlord-tenant issue or legal issue (disputes about rent, eviction, security deposits, etc)

***legal aid - 623-9461**

*** So AZ Housing Center
798=1568**

***Pima Council on Aging
790-7262**

***Elder Law Hotline 623-5137**

2) involve a health issue (mosquitoes, mold,)

***Pima Co Health Dept 740-2760**

***Pima Co Dept Environmental
Quality 740-3344**

3) do you live outside of the City? (but this is not a tenant-landlord issue)

***Pima Co Developmental Services
740-6520**

**Remember: only you can help to
make your neighborhood a better
place for everyone to live.**



Another Blonde Moment

Last year I replaced all the windows in my house with those expensive double-pane energy efficient kind. This week I got a call from the contractor complaining that his work had been completed a whole year and I have yet to pay for them. Boy oh boy, did we go around! Just because I'm a sandy blonde doesn't mean that I am automatically stupid. So, I proceeded to tell him just what his fast talking, sales guy had told me last year...that in one year the windows would pay for themselves.

There was silence on the other end of the line so I just hung up and I haven't heard back. Guess I won that stupid argument. E Stierman

VOLUNTEERS



In Prevention

Neighborhood Scam:

Within the last several months, there have been multiple reports of a 'young woman' knocking on doors (at all hours of the day & night), requesting to use the phone, asking for money to 'help with gas, car repairs, etc'. We, and Tucson Police Department, have received many calls regarding this activity. PLEASE do not let her or them in, do not give them any money. DO CALL 911 when this happens to you. This is bogus activity, we do not know why they are trying to get into your home but do not fall for this. Again, if someone shows up claiming to be a utility worker or is requesting entry to your home, ASK to see proper ID and look it over carefully, then call the named company to verify the visit. Do NOT just give them access to your home.



Neighborhood Properties

We have not officially heard anything more regarding the infill issue in the neighborhood. HOWEVER: The desert area off of Goldenrod has become an unofficial 'dump' site. It is covered with trash, and now being the home site of homeless and gang members. Is this what you want to live next to? Do you think a small development in that area might enhance the property value of your home as well as clean-up that site? Let us know. The pocket park area on Evergreen has recently been noted to be a ATV track. This IS IN DIRECT VIOLATION OF OUR AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY and this unauthorized use could very well lead to the 'City property management section' reclaiming and rezoning that area. It is our obligation to preserve it and keep it keep and

undamaged or it will go the way of a development. If you see ATV use or any other unauthorized use, call 911.

For upcoming voting issues, our neighborhood voting place is at Pima Community College, East Campus.

You may request a mail-in ballot starting February 14. call 884-8683. Early voting is April 14 to May 13. you may early vote at City Hall, Election Support Services, Wilnot Branch Library. Call 791-3221 for further information. Remember, if you don't vote, you really can't complain.

Story Hour 4/16 @ 9AM



We will be having a joint project with the Golf-Links (Miller) Library known as our Story Hour. It will be held in Lower Lincoln Regional Park 8280 E. Escalante Rd. @ 9 AM on April 16 (Saturday). This is for the young-at-heart and the young to enjoy together. We shared this project 2 years ago and it was a huge success. Our Youth Employment and Enrichment Program will also be performing too. The theme will revolve around our desert life and the environment. Please come, bring a blanket or chair to sit on, go for a tour of the Atturbury Bird & Animal Sanctuary afterward, and enjoy a morning outside. It is a great chance to see nature, learn about our neighborhood Sanctuary and park.



Volunteer Of the Year

Please come to the meeting and help us recognize and celebrate the Volunteer of the Year. This young person has worked over 2000 hours this past year as a volunteer in the Atturbury Bird & Animal Sanctuary and other Neighborhood Association projects. He deserves our special thanks.

Clean Air Fair



Join your neighbors and friends this coming April 1st through the 4th in the Clean Air Fair for a healthier Tucson. Many special events: bike rides, special walks, tours through Agua Caliente Park, scavenger cruises, prizes all along the way. See the Neighborhood Association bulletin board in the Wm. Clements Recreation Center or visit the www.tucsonaz.gov/caf web site for further information and details.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- February 14, request mail-in ballots
- April 1-4 Clean Air Fair
- April 12, Neighborhood Association Meeting
- April 14- May 13 early voting
- April 16 – Story Hour at Lower Lincoln Regional Park at 9AM
- Complete and return land use survey
- May 17 – Vote @ PCC.

Remember,

☺ WE ARE ALL THE AUTHORS OF OUR OWN FUTURE

☺ WE ARE HERE FOR YOU...

JOIN US!

2005

DUES \$12.00/yr. or \$1.00/Mo. / per household

please make check payable to Groves-Lincoln Park
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Mail to: Groves-Lincoln Park Neighborhood
Association; P.O. Box 17102, Tucson AZ 85731-7102

DONATIONS ACCEPTED

_____ Original Membership

_____ Renewal Membership

NAME (Last)

First

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Others in Household

Address

Phone # _____ unlisted? _____ occupation or
former

occupation _____ retired? _____ e-mail address? _____

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED (check areas below if you would like to help)

_____ VOLUNTEERS IN PREVENTION (VIP)
Train to become part of this police sponsored
program and help patrol in neighborhood/parks;
crime watch; safety programs, etc.

_____ PHONING Mainly to remind volunteers of
VIP or pre-arranged activities, or special events in
neighborhood

_____ WRITING sections or articles for newsletters
or special flyers to neighborhood

_____ MAILING Assist in preparing newsletters/
or flyers for mailing

_____ OTHER (please explain) _____

Dated Material

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